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CATTLE ON FEED

ARIZONA

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Arizona feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 297,000 head as of March 1, 2016. The latest inventory was 8 percent above last month's inventory and 22 percent above March 1, 2015. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 21,000 head of fed cattle during February 2016, no change from the previous month but up 11 percent from the February 2015 marketings. An estimated 43,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during February 2016, no change from the previous month but 126 percent above the February 2015 placements. Other disappearance for February 2016, at 1,000 head, was 3,000 head lower than last year but no change from last month.

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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on March 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above March 1, 2015. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million head, 10 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.65 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 335,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 300,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 445,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 630,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.59 million head, 5 percent above 2015. Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during February, 3 percent below 2015.

For a full copy of the March 2016 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.